

## AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-28 (Cancelled)

- 29. (New)**      A wristband having a longitudinal direction and a transverse direction normal to the longitudinal direction, said wristband comprising:
- (a) a plurality of center links disposed adjacent one to another in the transverse direction, each of said plurality of center links being offset with respect to each of an immediate neighboring center link in the longitudinal direction and wherein at least two of the plurality of center links are operatively, rigidly affixed to one another;
  - (b) at least one edge link, each disposed immediately adjacent to one of the plurality of center links;
  - (c) a first orifice extending entirely through each of the plurality of center links in the transverse direction;
  - (d) a second orifice extending entirely through each of the plurality of center links in the transverse direction wherein the second orifice in a first of the plurality of center links aligns with the second orifice in a second of the plurality of center links wherein a third of the plurality of center links resides between the first and second center links, and wherein the first orifice of the first of the plurality of center links aligns with the second orifice of the third of the plurality of center links, said third of the plurality of center links residing immediately adjacent to

- the first of the plurality of center links;
- (e) a third orifice in the at least one edge link, said third orifice not extending entirely through the at least one edge link and aligned with the first orifice;
  - (f) a first connecting hinge pin arranged transversely to the plurality of links and operatively, pivotally disposed in the first orifice of the plurality of center links and the third orifice in the at least one edge link;
  - (g) a second connecting hinge pin arranged transversely to the plurality of links and operatively, disposed in the second orifice of all of said plurality of center links offset in a first longitudinal direction and in additional orifices of additional links longitudinally disposed from the plurality of center links, said second connecting pin not extending beyond an inner lateral edge of the at least one edge link; and
  - (h) a third connecting hinge pin arranged transversely to the plurality of links and operatively, disposed in the second orifice of all of said plurality of center links offset in a second longitudinal direction, said second direction being not the first direction, said third connecting pin not extending beyond the inner lateral edge of the at least one edge link.

**30. (New)** The wristband of claim **29** wherein the plurality of center links and the at least one edge link comprise a first modular assembly, the wrist band additionally comprising a second modular assembly operatively, pivotally connected to the first modular assembly by the second connecting hinge pin engaged in the second orifice in the second modular assembly.

31. (New) The wristband of claim **29** wherein one of the plurality of center links adjacent to the at least one edge link is operatively, rigidly affixed to the edge link.

32. (New) The wristband of claim **29** comprising two edge links, a first edge link disposed at a first edge and a second edge link disposed at a second edge transversely disposed from the first edge link.

33. (New) The wristband of claim **29** wherein the at least two of the plurality of center links that are operatively, rigidly affixed to one another are immediately adjacent to one another.

34. (New) The wristband of claim **30** wherein the plurality of center links of the first modular assembly consists of three center links.

35. (New) The wristband of claim **30** wherein the at least one edge link of the first modular assembly consists of two edge links.

36. (New) The wristband of claim **30** wherein every other of the plurality of center links of the first modular assembly resides in a same longitudinal position.

37. (New) The wristband of claim **32** wherein the second connecting hinge pin is captive between inside edges of the two edge links.

**38. (New)** The wristband of claim **30** additionally comprising a wristwatch case and wherein the third connecting hinge pin operatively, pivotally connects the first modular assembly to the wristwatch case.

**39. (New)** The wristband of claim **29** additionally comprising:

- (a) a wristwatch case;
- (b) two horns operatively attached to the wristwatch case; and
- (c) an aperture in each horn, said aperture in a first horn in linear alignment with the aperture in a second horn, the third connecting hinge pin engaged in the aperture in each horn.

**40. (New)** The wristband of claim **39** additionally comprising:

- (a) internal threads in the aperture of at least one of the two horns; and
- (b) external threads disposed about the third connecting hinge pin, said external threads to mate to the internal threads.

**41. (New)** The wristband of claim **30** wherein the first modular assembly and the second modular assembly comprise mirror images with respect to the second connecting hinge pin.

**42. (New)** The wristband of claim **29** additionally comprising:

- (a) a fourth orifice located in the at least one edge link;
- (b) a fifth orifice located in all of said plurality of center links offset in the first longitudinal direction, the fifth orifice being aligned with the fourth orifice;
- (c) two horns operatively attached to the wristwatch case;
- (d) an aperture in each horn, said aperture in a first horn being coaxial with the aperture in a second horn and with the fourth and fifth orifices; and
- (e) a fourth connecting hinge pin engaged in the fourth orifice, the fifth orifice, and the aperture in each of the two horns.

**43. (New)** A wristband link assembly, a plurality of said wristband link assemblies being coupled together to comprise a wristband, the wristband link assembly comprising:

- (a) two outer links each having a first aperture not passing entirely through at least one of the two outer links;
- (b) two inner links, each inner link operatively, rigidly affixed to one outer link, said two inner links each having a second aperture passing entirely through the two inner links, and a third aperture;
- (c) a first hinge pin engaged in the third aperture of both inner links; and
- (d) a second hinge pin engaged in the second aperture of both inner links of a first of the plurality of wristband link assemblies, and in the first aperture of one of the two outer links of a second of the plurality of wristband link assemblies.

**44. (New)** The wristband of claim **30** wherein the plurality of center links and the at

least one edge link comprise a first modular assembly, the wrist band additionally comprising a third modular assembly operatively, pivotally connected to the first modular assembly by the third connecting hinge pin engaged in the second orifice in the third modular assembly.